

Fwd: A Bridge Home Candidate

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Tue, Apr 2, 2019 at 9:00 AM

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From: Natali Hopkins <natali.hopkins@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Apr 1, 2019 at 4:31 PM Subject: A Bridge Home Candidate To: <councilmember.ofarrell@lacity.org>

Hi there.

My building manager, Freddy, has lived in our building (On sunset and glendale) for over 8 years, and in the neighborhood for most of his life. I believe he paid a reduced rent in return for acting as the manager. Recently, his longterm girlfriend passed away after dealing with multiple illnesses. She was a housekeeper professionally, and the primary breadwinner for their household. Without her income, and after having to pay for her grave services, Freddy was unable to make rent for several months in a row.

He got himself into therapy to help deal with her death, and actively fought his eviction, but was ultimately forced out of the building. He is now living primarily under the bridge, next to our apartment building on Glendale. He has no pets or car, and I really do hope this is a temporary situation for him as he figures out long-term work and get back in to permanent shelter. He would be a really good candidate for the new bridge housing, and is someone in dire need as I do worry about his mental health without stable access to services and shelter. I read that spots in these facilities are being issued on the ground to people within the neighborhood, but I'm not sure that as someone newly homeless, Freddy would know how to search out these services. If there is anyone I can talk to or any resources I can get to him I would really appreciate it.

Thank you, natali hopkins

With kind regards,



Mitch O'Farrell

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Tue, Apr 2, 2019 at 11:25 AM

Juan Fregoso < juan.fregoso@lacity.org> To: natali.hopkins@gmail.com

Fri, Apr 12, 2019 at 4:59 PM

Hi Natali,

The Councilmember asked that I please follow up on your email.

I am sorry to hear about what happen to Freddy.

Have you opened a case number for him through the LA-HOP.ORG portal?

https://www.lahsa.org/portal/apps/la-hop/

This will help get him started through the process of getting into a shelter. If you are in communication with him, please open a case and provide us any contact information so we can talk to a service provider for outreach.

Thank you for bringing this to our attention.

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Juan Antonio Fregoso

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